



**CAMBRIAN SCHOOL DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

May 2, 2013

**1. CLOSED SESSION AGENDA**

The Board convened in Closed Session at 6:30 p.m. to discuss the following:

- 1.1 Negotiations with Cambrian District Teachers' Association and California School Employees' Assoc., Local 641
- 1.2 Public Employee Evaluation – Superintendent (Govt Code 54957)

**Closed Session**

**2. REGULAR SESSION**

The president called the regular meeting of the Governing Board of Trustees to order in the boardroom at the district office at 7:35 p.m. Mr. Scofield informed the audience that no action was taken in closed session.

**Regular Session**

**CALL TO ORDER**

**Call to Order**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Mr. Randy Scofield, President  
Mrs. Stacey Brown, Vice President  
Mr. Doron Aronson, Clerk  
Mr. Alan Baker, Member  
Mrs. Jeneva Sneed, Member

**STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Dr. Deborah Blow, Superintendent  
Mrs. Lani Potts, Asst. Supt., Educational Services  
Mr. Don Fox, Interim Chief Financial Officer  
Mrs. Wendy Corkery, Admin. Asst. to Superintendent  
Mr. Kirby Fell, Dir., Educational Technology

**3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The president of the Board led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**4. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

On a motion by Mrs. Brown, seconded by Mr. Aronson and carried unanimously the Board adopted the May 2, 2013, agenda.

**Adopt Agenda**

**5. CONSENT AGENDA**

On a motion by Mr. Baker, seconded by Mrs. Sneed and carried unanimously the Board shall:

- 5.1 Adopt Consent Agenda items as follows:
- 5.2 Approve the minutes of the April 18, 2013, regular Board meeting
- 5.3 Personnel Items:

*Certificated*

Approve the resignations of teachers Cheryl Hibner, Andrea Withers, and Jessica Baker effective 6/14/13

Approve a leave of absence extension to Paula Grimes, effective 4/2/13-6/13/13

*Classified*

Approve the retirement resignation of Jayne Selig, administrative assistant, effective 7/24/13

**Consent Agenda**

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- 5.4 Accept the Wells Fargo Statement for March 2013
- 5.5 Approve revised Board Policy 9270, Conflict of Interest Code

**6. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Announcements**

Mr. Scofield informed the audience that there were no announcements.

Dr. Blow stated that April 24 was Cambrian’s Day of the Employee. Board members, cabinet members and Dr. Blow recognized the staff at all schools by serving ice cream sundaes. She also attended the Golden Excellence in Education Awards the previous night where Bagby teacher Michelle Makinson was honored. Roseland Carey was recently honored as Cambrian’s Volunteer of the Year by the Association of California School Administrators. She has children at Farnham and Price schools.

**7. RECOGNITIONS**

**Recognitions**

7.1 Individuals who have gone “the extra mile” for the students of our District were recognized by the Board for their hard work and dedication. Mr. Scofield presented them with Good Apple Awards and lapel pins while Dr. Blow told the audience of their good deeds. The recipients were: Home and School Club Presidents, North Grueskin, Carol Presunka, Michelle Lister, Dawne Edwards, Chris Parise, Halina Gallagher and Chevonne Johst; Parent volunteers Gina Maniscalco from Price School, Ramona Desai from Bagby School and Gwen Moody from Farnham School. Farnham teacher Nicole Vorpahl was also recognized for being chosen by the Cambrian Community Advisory Council as the Special Education Teacher of the Year.

7.2 Students of the Month were recognized for being exemplary students. Dr. Blow read commendations from each student’s teacher and Board members presented certificates to their buddy school students. The Students of the Month were:

- Elise Stimson, Bagby School
- Maisie Lopez, Fammatre School
- Kathy Bermudez, Farnham School
- Phoebe Roach, Sartorette School
- Lily Mortazavi, Price School
- Ashley Corbo, Price School

**8. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

**Public Comments**

There were no comments from the audience.

**9. INFORMATION AND STUDY ITEMS**

**Information/Study**

9.1 Mr. Scofield opened the public hearing on the California State Employees’ Association, Local 641 Sunshine Statement with the District and asked if anyone wished to speak on the matter. No comments were offered and the hearing was closed.

**CSEA Sunshine Stmt  
PUBLIC HEARING**

9.2 Dr. Blow stated that the current three-year contract with the California State Employees’ Association, Local 641 expires on June 30 so this proposal is necessary to open negotiations on a new contract.

**CSEA Sunshine Stmt**

On a motion by Mr. Baker, seconded by Mrs. Sneed and carried unanimously the Board approved the California State Employees’ Association, Local 641 Sunshine Statement.

**ACTION**

9.3 Mr. Scofield opened the public hearing on the Cambrian School District’s Sunshine Statement with California State Employees’ Association, Local 641 and asked anyone wishing to address the Board to please come forward. No comments were offered and the hearing was closed.

**District Sunshine Stmt  
PUBLIC HEARING**

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- 9.4 Dr. Blow presented the District's Sunshine Statement with California State Employees' Association, Local 641 to the Board. It is the District's statement to open negotiations.

**District Sunshine Stmt**

On a motion by Mr. Baker, seconded by Mr. Aronson and carried unanimously the Board approved Cambrian School District's Sunshine Statement with California State Employees' Association, Local 641.

**ACTION**

- 9.5 Mrs. Potts reviewed our current Gifted and Talented Education (GATE) services which includes in class differentiation; an elementary science night; the Jr. Great Books series; a Math Olympiad; critical thinking and problem solving; select after school classes and an active GATE council. This year we added a GATE cohort: increased Jr. Great Books training and implementation; a middle school math Olympiad; GLAD strategies; student to student conferences; attend a one day California Association for the Gifted conference; Odyssey of the Mind and principal professional development.

**GATE Update**

- 9.6 Dr. Blow commented that technology should support our vision for instruction. Today's learners can find information on anything, anytime and anywhere which requires us to move in different ways rather than just memorization and recall. Students must learn to be discriminators of limitless information, and they must become actively involved in their own learning. The iPad and Digital Media Academies are a great opportunity for teachers to collaborate and support one another. Some considerations that need to be addressed for the future are our needs regarding hardware, applications, infrastructure, security, and a plan to keep building on our current technology. Possibilities for next year and beyond were reviewed. An iPad Expo will be held on May 20 from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. at Union School District, and board members were invited to attend. A bond measure could fund future technology needs and support.

**Technology Update**

- 9.7 Dr. Blow remarked that the Single Plan for Student Achievement (SPSA) is a state requirement for all schools. The process has been delayed because the state is in the process of making revisions. Site presentations will be done in May rather than April because of this. The SPSAs will be brought to the Board in June for approval. It was suggested that Board members be given a condensed version of the SPSAs rather than digesting all components of each one. An executive summary would serve this need.

**SPSA Process**

- 9.8 Dr. Blow presented Procedure 5111, Entrance Age for a first reading. The procedure has been revised to align with the new state regulations for kindergarten entry. Kindergarten students must now turn five by November 1 for entry in 2012, by October 1 for entry in 2013 and by September 1 for entry in 2014 and beyond.

**Rev Bd Proc 5111  
Entrance Age**

**10. COMMUNICATIONS**

**Communications**

Dr. Blow informed the Board that we are moving forward with architect interviews. Mr. Kramer scheduled the interviews for Monday May 6th from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m., and it would be nice to have one or two board members in attendance. Mr. Aronson commended Dr. Andrews for organizing the Day of Employee activity at each site. Mr. Baker recently attended the National School Board Association Conference and Fammatre's music concert. He also attended the Price track meet, and he was very pleased and impressed with the positive environment. Mr. Scofield reminded the other Board members that there would be a Board retreat from 6 to 10 p.m. on Monday, May 13. Michelle Makinson gave a powerful and meaningful speech when she accepted the Golden Award for Excellence in Education. Mrs. Sneed hopes we can put forth more candidates for this award next year.

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**11. CLOSED SESSION**

There was no further closed session.

**Closed Session**

**12. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the May 2, 2013, regular meeting of the Governing Board of Trustees was adjourned at 10:50 p.m. on a motion by Mrs. Sneed, seconded by Mrs. Brown and carried unanimously.

**Adjournment**

Respectfully submitted,

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Deborah L. Blow, Ed.D.  
Secretary to the Governing Board

Approved and ordered entered into  
the proceedings of the Cambrian  
School District on May 16, 2013

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Governing Board of Trustees